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Amendment B

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Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed October 4, 2007. This Amendment is submitted under Rule 114 for the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in accordance with the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999. A RCE transmittal form (PTO/SB/30) along with a payment by credit card form (PTO-2038) of \$405, the RCE fee for a small entity set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), is attached.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.